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Allowable Subject Matter

- 1. Claims 1-27 and 29-47 (re-numbered 1-46) are allowable over prior art of record and in light of arguments presented in the Appeal Brief filed August 18, 2006.
- 2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The prior art of record does not disclose, teach, or suggest neither singly nor in combination the claimed limitation of "adding a second header to the payload data in the first common data buffer at location preceding the first start pointer, wherein the second header is contiguous with the first header" as recited in claims 1, 2, 10, 11, 19, and 20, and similarly recited in claims 6, 15, 24, 29, 38, and 39.

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- 4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Michael Y. Won whose telephone number is 571-272-3993. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th: 7AM-5PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Saleh Najjar can be reached on 571-272-4006. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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